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Classified By: Charge a.i. Carol Urban for reasons 1.5 (b and d).

(C) Acting DCM delivered September 25 reftel demarche points to Juan Eduardo Eguigeran, Director of the MFA's Office for Special Policies, stressing USG appreciation for Chile's strong statement at the September 10-14 IAEA Board of Governor's meeting, in support of requiring Iranian compliance with its UNSC obligations. While Chile's statement would have been stronger with an explicit endorsement of a third sanctions resolution, the USG urged Chile to work with IAEA DG El Baradei to ensure a frank assessment of Iranian cooperation or lack thereof. Equigeran - who had just taken over his position two weeks ago - said he knew that A/S Shannon had spoken recently (September 10) with Carlos Portales, the MFA's number three official on this issue. Chile's statement reflected GOC agreement with the U.S. and the international community on the need to take a strong stance. Eguigeran noted that Chile's representative to the IAEA Board of Governors had just taken over the Chair. As such, he would be in close contact with El Baradi over the coming weeks and would work with him "and the world" to make clear Chile's views.
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